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April 10, 2019

Patricia J. Britt, Clerk of Council  
Cleveland City Hall  
601 Lakeside Avenue N.E., Room 216  
Cleveland, OH 44114

Dear Patricia J. Britt,

On April 4, 2019, the Board of Elections received for signature examination an initiative petition from the Clerk of Cleveland City Council regarding lead poisoning conditions in rental units within the City. On April 9, 2019, Board staff concluded its examination and determined that the petition contains six thousand five hundred and thirty (6,530) valid signatures, substantially more than the five-thousand (5,000) signature minimum required by the City Charter.

However, the Board has some concerns regarding the petitions and the statutory requirement set forth in R.C. 3501.38(J). While the issue of the validity of the signatures, and not the petitions, is that which is currently before the Board, we wanted to bring this potential issue to your attention.

If you have any further questions, or would like to discuss, feel free to contact my office at (216) 443-3280.

Sincerely,

Anthony W. Perlatti  
Director, Cuyahoga County Board of Elections